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Saugus Man Sentenced for Trying to Kill Father by Driving Pickup Truck Off Cliff

A Santa Clarita man has been sentenced to 13 years and eight months in state prison for purposely driving a pickup truck off a cliff with his 68-year-old father aboard, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Deputy District Attorney Emily Cole said Sean McClelland (dob 9/19/70) was sentenced yesterday immediately after pleading no contest to one felony count each of kidnapping and attempted murder.

McClelland was arrested on July 4, 2016, for threatening his father and his mother with a machete and then driving the vehicle more than 500 feet down an embankment near Templin Highway and Interstate 5, the prosecutor said.

Case PAo86676 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Santa Clarita Station.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.